

The People's Press.

THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 1883.
LOCAL ITEMS.

Harper's.—Subscriptions for all of Harper's periodicals received at this office, in clubs with the Press.

—Elen Public School will close on Saturday, March 10, second Saturday in March, instead of first Saturday as noticed last week.

—Rain and sleet Saturday.

—Rev. J. T. Zorn is on a visit North.

—Last Quarter of the Moon, tomorrow, at 12:15 in the morning.

—Rough and Ready Fire Company will parade on Saturday next.

—Fine EARLY ROSE POTATOES for sale at this office.

—Weather continues cold. Frost and ice every morning this week, to date.

—Wachovia Cornet Concert Club serenaded in the two towns, on Tuesday night.

—Hopewell Public School will close on Saturday, March 3rd. David S. Rothrock, teacher.

—Judge R. R. Nelson and daughter, of St. Paul, Minn., are at the Merchant's Hotel, Winston.

—The U. S. Senate, on Saturday, confirmed the nomination of Capt. J. F. Hellen Postmaster at Winston.

—The Salem Amateur Cornet Band serenaded in Salem and Winston on the night of Washington's birthday.

—The best MOLASSES and SYRUPS at C. R. WELFARE'S. New lot just received.

—Internal Revenue collections in the Fifth District for the week ending Saturday Feb. 24th, 1883, \$16,074.88.

—We would call special attention to the article—C. F. Nissen & Co's Wagon Manufactory—found in this week's issue of the Press.

—Mrs. Moore, of Charlotte, now married to Mrs. Moore, is the mother of Rev. Walter Moore. Her daughter, Miss Ida, is a pupil in the Academy.

—Senator Watson has recovered from his recent illness and is at his post again in Raleigh. He is one of the most influential Senators and highly esteemed in Raleigh.

—Ninety-nine choice readings and recitations in People's Library style, price 10 cents. Also Beadle's Dime Speakers, and other School Speakers, at Salem Bookstore.

—The two Road Laws, one introduced by Mr. Watson, and the other by Mr. Alexander, passed second readings in the Senate. A synopsis of Mr. Watson's bill appears in this paper this week.

—The efforts to form a new county, with Kernersville as the county seat, is meeting with strong opposition. There was a meeting in Belev's Creek township, when resolutions were adopted opposed to the measure.

—From all appearance C. F. Nissen & Co. must be doing a lively business making wagons just now. They are hauling wagon iron from the depot all day.

—Bishop Edmond DeSchweinitz, of the Moravian church at Bethlehem, Penn., is here on important official business relating to the Northern and Southern Provinces of the Moravian Church. He is accompanied by his daughter. Bishop DeSchweinitz will probably preach here on Sunday next.

—J. Gilmer Kerney, of Kernersville, leaves next Monday on an advertising trip through Texas and Mexico, in the interests of Blackwell's Durham Tobacco Company. He will point the ball wherever he can judiciously place his picture. His brother accompanies him. His house painting business will be conducted by capable workmen during his absence.

—A farmer, residing near Midway, Davidson county, relates what happened some time since in his vicinity. Two horned cattle got into a fight during which their horns became interlocked in such a manner as to require a saw to separate them, after they had exhausted their rage. We have heard of deer being found dead in the woods in a similar fix, but never of a pair of cattle.

—Today is St. David's Day, a holiday among the Welsh, whose patron saint he is considered. The first day of March is observed as the anniversary of his death. The Welshmen wear leek a plant growing in the fields, in their button holes on this day. This custom originated at a great battle with the Saxons, when the leek was recommended to be worn by the Welsh by St. David, and their victory was attributed to this mark, hence its veneration. He lived in the Sixth Century, and was the uncle of the famous, but more than half fabulous—King Arthur.

—Waughtown Items.

—We notice a train of new wagons passing up to the Railroad depot almost daily from the Waughtown wagon shops. Our attention was drawn to a peculiarly convenient stage shaped vehicle made by Geo. Nissen & Co., for Mr. Holt, of Haw River. It was well constructed and neatly finished as are all their wagons and carts.

—Over one hundred and twenty mechanics are employed in the wagon works at Waughtown and business appears brisk.

—Dr. Matthews' new building will be on the main Waughtown road, near where the Salisbury road turns off.

—Washington's Birthday was celebrated in Waughtown by the young men and boys of that flourishing town, with a torch light procession, headed by music, at night, having a pleasant and enjoyable time, says Bobby Nissen.

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On Sunday, notwithstanding that it snowed all the forenoon, I had a fair audience at the church, and at night the house was full. Monday morning I started for home, just 60 miles, making a round trip of a hundred and twenty miles to preach two sermons, and such roads, oh my! It took me three days to get back, and to mend matters, I left the Mt. Airy road and cut across into the old Quaker Gap road, in use before the Revolution. Thirty odd years ago, when Rev. F. F. Hagen, then minister in Bethania, and the late Van N. Zevely and John Vogler used to go along and help me at my "big meetings," you could travel along this same Quaker Gap road for miles and not a stick of timber be seen, and no house to be seen; now it is almost cleared up and in cultivation. I saw hundreds of acres in wheat and looking well. Planting tobacco is at the bottom of it.

By the way, this morning I received a letter from my good friend, Rev. Samuel J. Blum, one of our ministers in Philadelphia,—another "tar heel,"—for he went from Waughtown, and Waughtown is known even in Germany. He says he gets the Press and takes a lively interest in the "Kernersville Letters," and, furthermore, extends a cordial invitation to your humble correspondent, on his part and our ministerial brethren in the city, to be present at one of the "Philadelphia Pastor's Monday Meeting."

Accompanying his letter was a copy of a paper prepared, by request, and read before the meeting by Rev. F. F. Hagen, styled "Reminiscences of Gaspard Van N. Zevely in North Carolina from 1844 to 1853," and it can bear witness to the truthfulness of many of the incidents narrated.

On Tuesday night I staid at Mr. Tandy Marshall's and had the honor of being bed fellow with an ex-member of the Legislature, Mr. Venable, from Stokes. He is a clever gentleman; and after we retired we discussed matters of State till sleep overcame us. Considering that he was a Republican and I a Democrat, we got along finely, only he would manage to hold the biggest half of the bed.

My friend, Mr. Waggoner, has moved from the Forks, down the Kernersville road, about a mile; his son Lewis is keeping "bachelor's hall" at the old place.

